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Applicant(s): J. TAKEDA et al

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AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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S I R :

This is responsive to the Office Action mailed February 23, 2004, the term for response to which expires on May 23, 2004 (Sunday), which is automatically extended to Monday, May 24, 2004.

Amendments to the Claims are set forth in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper. Claims 1-16 are amended.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.

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